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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a residential consumer for internet services and especially for broadband internet services. Having faster speeds and more reliability with less outages is very important to me for both entertainment purposes as well as work from home privileges for my job. We were stuck with provider for a few years (Comcast) and service and support was mediocre at best while pricing was in my opinion tremendously over priced especially for old copper based cable! Then when Sonic internet came into our neighborhood, installed new fiber lines with their gigabit fiber, I was very anxious and excited to be able to have an additional choice at a much more affordable price and without being forced to have to bundle my internet with other services to lower the bill such as ATT & Comcast now do. Why do these big companies get to get away with trying to force out smaller companies and take over the entire infrastructure? I dont want satellite tv, or cable tv, or land line since I stream all of my entertainment, video conference for work, so speed is King!

I am opposed to any changes in regulations or policies that will allow the bigger companies to do away with the competition. This competition from the smaller companies offering non bundled services and mumuch faster internet speeds is very important to keep in place for numerous reasons including; preventing the big companies from forcing services on us consumers at ridiculous prices just because they can. My coworkers whom live in other areas around Northern California have all expressed they wished services like Sonic were available in their areas like it is my area as they dont have the same choices.

I say No to price hikes, and monopolies of bigger companies and I say Yes to allow the competition to remain in place as it currently exist today.

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